



Notice is hereby given that the Eighth Annual Meeting of the Magna Masters Association will be held at the The Royal Air Force Club, 128 Piccadilly, London W1J 7PY 6 November, 2023 at 6pm

#### Attending

*Colin Goodman, Graeme Groom, Nick Andrews, Robert Morrow, Geoff Lewis, Lance Shaw, Tony Alston, Edward Hutton, Patrick O'Reilly (Chairman), Nicholas Birtles, John Hayton, Ian McIntyre (Vice-Chairman), John Shonfeld, Stephen Barnard, Neville Chamberlain, Gill Moore, Richard Herbert, Andrew Marsden, Michael Cooper, Mark Hardy, Jim Conybeare, Chris Ford, Ian Locks together with 12 CartaConsorts.*

#### AGENDA

1. **Welcome by Chairman**
2. **To approve minutes of Seventh Annual General Meeting - 8 November 2021.**  
(Circulated online)
3. **Apologies for absence** Jeremy Randall, Martin Miles, Kathleen Duncan; Simon Archer, Debby Ounsted, Graham Dickinson, Ian Frood
4. **To receive the Chairman's report**
5. **To receive and adopt the Financial Report and Accounts for 2022-23**  
(Attached)
6. **Election of Officers**  
Chairman:  
Vice Chairman:  
  
Chairman to propose :  
  
Hon. Treasurer: (Current holder Martin Miles, Actuaries).  
Hon. Secretary: (Current holder Ian Locks, Stationers and Newspaper Makers)  
Hon. Membership Secretary: Michael Godbee (Tax Advisors)  
Hon. Events Secretary/Chairman Events Committee: Nic Birtles, (Information Technologists)
7. **Election of Financial Examiner**
8. **Other business.** If there is no other formal business the meeting will be followed by informal discussion and then the wine tasting.

The meeting will be followed by a wine tasting at 7.00pm and Supper at 8.30pm.  
Event Concludes at 10.00pm

Ian Locks, Hon. Secretary

# Minutes of AGM 6 Nov 2022



## Minutes of the Seventh Annual Meeting of the Magna Masters Association held at the The Royal Air Force Club, 128 Piccadilly, London W1J 7PY 7 November, 2022.

*In attendance Fiona Adler, Tony Alston, Nicholas Bence-Trower, Stephen Bernhard, Nic Birtles, Neville Chamberlain, Patrick Chapman, Michael Cooper, Michael Godbee, Richard Herbert, John Hitchins, Ian Locks, Ian McIntyre, Debby Ounsted, AVM Patrick O'Reilly, Jeremy Randall, John Shonfeld, Barrie Stewart*

1. **Welcome by Chairman** - the Chairman welcomed members to the meeting
2. **Minutes of Sixth Annual General Meeting** - 8 November 2021. (Circulated online) were approved
3. **Apologies for absence**  
Kathleen Duncan; Edward Hutton; Simon Archer; Sir Roger Vickers; Nick Andrews; Geoff Lewis; Chris Ford; Martin Miles; Tony Watson; Rowland Hughes

### 1. To receive the Chairman's report

The chairman reported on another active year with membership holding at Aruba 100 and a number of successful and well attended events being held, including`;

- Our first live post lockdown outing was a walk around the Roman walls of the city led by Richard Herbert followed by lunch at Cutlers' Hall
- Big thank you to all who have organised events and also those who supported them
- In the autumn of last year we were invited by our President, Sir Alan Yarrow, to dine at Fishmongers' Hall, one of the crown jewels of the City Livery Halls. A delightful evening. Sadly Sir Alan fell victim to Covid and Sheriff elect Andrew Marsden stepped in to do the welcome with wit and aplomb.
- Slightly improbably we decided also to go ahead with our February Gala Dinner, kindly hosted by Tony Watson at Leathersellers' hall. Numbers at both events were slightly down on our previous expectations but much enjoyed nonetheless.

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**29 March** - Evening with the Magic Circle - excellent evening albeit falling rather short of expectations on attendance

**30 May- 2 June** - Visit to Loire wine growing area - Nic Birtles and Jeremy Randall (fully subscribed and a huge success which, as we will hear, has encouraged us to look to the future with similarly adventurous ideas.) And thank you to Nic Birtles for all his organisation and attention to detail.

**29 June** - Dinner Lincoln's Inn - Tony Watson. This event was capped at 20 to include Consorts and planned to include a tour of the Great Hall and archives. (It was fully subscribed)

**5 September** - open committee thank you to the 17 members who attended

**3 October** - Visit to WWII operations bunker at Uxbridge organised by Chris Ford and was a great success, much enjoyed by all who attended

**7 November** - AGM, wine tasting and dinner, RAF Club, Piccadilly: we have not succeeded in finding someone to take over the organisation of the wine tasting from Rass but we have found six of us willing to share the load of organising the wine. Thank you to them.

Eighth Gala Dinner at Apothecaries' Hall hosted by John Moore-Gillon 8 February 2023

There is of course an open Invitation for offers to organise events in the coming year or in the future and we have a number of interesting offers including

Visit to lake district (Stephen Bernhard plus VIP entrance to two nuclear power stations in that area (Neville Chamberlain). Visit to DP World London Gateway and adjoining farm (Ian Froot) tba (July or September) Other offers tba: Sabrage evening at Oriental Club Bob Morrow; dinner in the Long Room at Lords Tony Watson

5. **Adoption of the Financial Report and Accounts for 2021-22**

(Martin Miles) . The Chairman thanked Martin Miles for his report and noted the affairs of the association were in good hands despite showing a deficit for the year due to having two major events in a single year.

6. **Election of Officers**

Chairman: (Current holder Air Marshal Patrick O'Reilly)

Vice Chairman: Jeremy Randall as immediate past chairman, was standing down. One nomination had been received:at the Open committee 5 Sept 22:

The nomination from the Open Committee was therefore for Ian McIntyre, MagnaMaster Tallow Chandler. Who was proposed by Richard Herbert and seconded by show of hands, nem con. Ian McIntyre was therefore elected. The succession procedure would be agreed between the incumbents.

7. **The following officers were proposed by the Chairman and seconded by show of hands**  
Hon. Treasurer: Martin Miles, (Actuaries).

Hon. Secretary: Ian Locks, (Stationers and Newspaper Makers)

Hon. Membership Secretary: Michael Godbee (Tax Advisors)

Hon. Events Secretary/Chairman Events Committee: Nic Birtles, (Information Technologists)

**Election of Financial Examiner** This positioned, which had been efficiently occupied since our inception by David Illingworth, who sadly died during the year after a long and brave fight against cancer. Nic Birtles, Past Master WCo Information Technologists was co-opted after David's death and was willing to stand for election) Martin Miles proposed and this was supported by show of hands.

8. **Other business.** There was no other formal business and the meeting was followed by informal discussion.

The meeting will be followed by a wine tasting at 7.00pm and Supper at 8.30pm.The Event concluded at 10.00pm

Ian Locks, Hon. Secretary



# **MAGNA MASTERS ASSOCIATION**

**Accounts for year ended 30 June 2023**

**Prepared and presented by Hon Treasurer Martin Miles**

**Reviewed by Examiner Nic Birtles**

**Chairman: Air Vice Marshal Patrick O'Reilly**

**Hon Secretary: Ian Locks**

# **MAGNA MASTERS ASSOCIATION**

## **ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

Following a meeting of the Livery Company Masters at Iron Bridge on 7 June 2015, the Magna Masters Association (MMA) was formally established at a meeting in London on 14 September 2015. At that meeting the subscription for membership was set at £50 to cover the period to 30 June 2016 and a bank account for the MMA with Lloyds Bank was opened shortly afterwards.

The Accounts of the MMA for the year ended 30 June 2023 are attached. The corresponding figures for the period 1 July 2021 - 30 June 2022 are shown for comparison.

The Notes referred to in the Accounts are set out on page 4. The introduction and the Notes which follow are an integral part of the Accounts.

Martin W Miles

## Magna Masters Accounts for year ended 30 June 2023

		2022-2023	2021-2022
<b>INCOME</b>			
Annual subscriptions	<i>Note 1</i>	4,700	4,900
Income from events	<i>Note 2</i>	13,623	30,935
		<b>18,323</b>	<b>35,835</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Event expenses	<i>Note 2</i>	17,334.48	38,240
Miscellaneous expenses	<i>Note 3</i>	258.64	482
		<b>17,593.12</b>	<b>38,240</b>
<b>SURPLUS/DEFICIT</b>		<b>- 729.88</b>	<b>2,887</b>
<b>ASSETS AT 30 JUNE 2023</b>			
Assets at 30 June 2022		10,080.64	12,968
Surplus/Deficit 2022/2023 year		729.88	- 2,887
<b>Net assets at 30 June 2023</b>		<b>10,810.52</b>	<b>10,081</b>
Made up of :			
Bank balance a 30 June 2023		10,960.52	14,548
+ Prepayments	<i>Note 4</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>Nil</i>
- <i>Provisions</i>	<i>Note 4</i>	150.00	4,467
<b>Total</b>		<b>10,810.52</b>	<b>10,081</b>

## NOTES

**Note 1** It was agreed that the members' annual subscription should remain at £50 for the 2022/2023 year. 94 members (98 in 2021?2022) paid £50 each for their membership of the MMA.

**Note 2** Three social events took place during the year. In which the MMA was directly involved in the financial aspects. The financial outcomes of those events are summarised below.

### **Members' Meeting and Lunch 5 September 2022**

£485.00 income	£851.70 expenditure	<b>£366.70 net contribution</b>
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### **AGM, Wine-tasting and Dinner 7 November 2022**

£1,800.00 income	£2,173.94 expenditure	<b>£373.94 net contribution</b>
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### **Gala Dinner Apothecaries Hall 8 February 2023**

£11,338.00 income	£14,308.84 expenditure	<b>£2,970.84 net contribution</b>
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Two further events during year were the visit to the Uxbridge Bunker and the three day trip to Cumbria. The finances of these two events were handled by the organisers (Chris Ford and Stephen Bernhard respectively). "Uxbridge" led to a £105 profit being passed to the MMA and "Cumbria" broke even.

**Note 3** Miscellaneous Expenses include certain IT and other costs (website, domain etc) partly offset by a gain of £105 arising from the Uxbridge trip.

**Note 4** The provisions relate to three 2023/2024 membership fees being received early.